

## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP ART UNIT 2174

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Title:	Syste	m and Method for	§ §
	Progr	ammatically	§
	Modi	fying a Graphical	§
	Progr	am in Response to	§
	Progr	am Information	§
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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF APRIL 7, 2004

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of April 7, 2004, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance. A Request for Continued Examination is included herewith.

## Summary of Telephone Interview

Applicant conducted a Telephone Interview with Examiner Sax on Wednesday, June 23, 2004, in which the meaning of the term "graphical program" with respect to Applicant's invention was discussed at length. Applicant suggested emphasizing the

diagrammatic and executable nature of the graphical program in the independent claim. The Examiner agreed that this would help move the case along.

Please amend the case as listed below.